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> 1. The new Polish Charge d'Affaires in China, Er. Symonolewicz 📹 a courteous, elderly Pole who has been in the diplomatic service for some twenty-five years. His secretary, a kr. Paniek (full name unknown), is believed 25X1A to be a representative of the Polish State Security

2. Polish citizens now in Harbin and other Chinese Communist-held territories of China could be repatriated by personal negotiations with LI Li-san because of Symonolewicz's former relations with LI Li-san in Moscow. However, it is not the policy of the Polish Foreign Office to make any move in this direction at the present time because of the presumably friendly relations with CHANG K'ai-shek's regime

On 25 June 1948 at a meeting at the Soviet Sports Club in Shanghai, plans for closer Soviet-Polish cooperation were discussed. Proposals were made as to methods of attracting more local Poles to the Soviet side. The following Soviet and Polish officials were present at the meeting:

W. Symonolewicz, newly-arrived Polish Charge d'Affaires

K. Zalewski, official of the Shanghai Polish Citizens Association "Dom Polski"

L. Kospelski, member of the same association

S. Kostarski, Polish Charge d'Affaires, who is being replaced by Symonolewicz

A. Arinichev, director, Torgpredatvo, Shanghai

G. V. Kryukov, Attache to the Shanghai Soviet Consulate and VOKS chief in Shanghai

M. Yakshamin, TASS deputy in Shanghai

Ya Birbrayer, official of the Shanghai Soviet Citizens Association

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